

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 1 - HB 2

March 7, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (012134): Adopts the federal *No Surprises Act* (26 U.S.C. § 9816) for application within Tennessee to hold patients harmless from incurring a surprise medical bill as provided in the federal *No Surprises Act*.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The proposed legislation does not apply to any Division of TennCare programs; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- The proposed legislation does apply to the Division of Benefits Administration plans; however, any impact is dependent on the independent dispute resolution entity. It is assumed any realized savings will be offset by any increased expenses. The net impact is estimated to be not significant.
- DCI can accommodate the proposed legislation utilizing existing resources; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE OF BILL AS AMENDED:

Other Commerce Impact – Due to multiple unknown factors, an exact impact to commerce and jobs cannot be reasonably determined.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Due to multiple unknown factors, such as amount of services billed, what amount will be determined to be paid, and how many claims would be impacted, an exact impact to commerce and jobs cannot be reasonably determined.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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